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Subject: DOJ/Microsoft Antitrust Settlement

Re: DOJ/Microsoft Antitrust Settlement - Comment

The MS monopoly has stifled the more stable open source sector. As a result, it is almost impossible for any business to run without MS desktop products. Your settlement does nothing to end that monopoly.

Your settlement should require MS to provide the open source community with open source tools including fonts, printer drivers, network interfaces and hardware support drivers to permit third party software developer an EASILY port their software applications to open source, both now and into the future. Thus far, MS has made that task almost impossible.

Very Truly Yours,
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